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SUBJECT: UNHCR REFUGEE PROGRAMS IN AFRICA

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1. RE PARA 5, REF A, MISSION HAS NOW REACHED CUENOD, WHO HAS PROVIDED UPDATE ON UNHCR PLANNING FOR REFUGEES IN DJIBOUTI. CUENOD HAS BASICALLY REAFFIRMED REFUGEE FIGURES PROVIDED PARA 6, REF C, AND AS SUPPORTED REF B, I.E. 5,000 AT ALI SABIEH, 4,200 AT DIKHIL CAMPS, AND 1,300 IN THE CITY, CONSISTING OF 300 AFFAR, 400 ERITREAN AND 600 AMHARIC, ALL FROM ETHIOPIA. THESE FIGURES WERE CURRENT AS OF MARCH 1, AND CUENOD NOTED THAT INFLUX HAS CONTINUED SINCE THEN, WHICH WOULD ACCOUNT FOR HIGHER FIGURES REPORTED REF B. HE ALSO NOTED, AS REPORTED REFS B AND C, PRESENCE OF LARGE NUMBERS OF ISSAS, WHO ARE NOT COUNTED AMONG REFUGEES FOR UNHCR SUPPORT PURPOSES (SEE PARA 6C, REF C).

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2. REVISED UNHCR BUDGET FOR DJIBOUTI MENTIONED PARA 6E, REF C, IS THEREFORE BASED ON TOTAL FIGURE OF 11,000 REFUGEES. IT IS BROKEN DOWN INTO TWO PARTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH FOR "RURAL" REFUGEES IS COMPOSED OF TWO ELEMENTS, RELIEF AND LAND SETTLEMENT, WHILE THE SECOND IS FOR "URBAN" REFUGEES, MOSTLY ERITREAN AND AMHARIC. THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR THESE PROGRAMS IN 1978 IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. RELIEF -- \$1,660,000, FOR FOOD, SHELTER, NUTRITION, TEMPORARY EDUCATION FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, HEALTH AND ADMINISTRATION. OF THE TOTAL BUDGET, \$600,000 WILL COME FROM UNICEF, WFP AND USAID.

B. LAND SETTLEMENT -- \$1,145,000, ALL UNHCR FUNDED, FOR SOIL AND HYDROLOGICAL STUDIES, PUMPS, PIPES, INSTALLATION, SEEDS, AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, COOPERATIVE FACILITIES, STOCKING, FENCING, ETC.

C. URBAN REFUGEES -- \$500,000, ALL UNHCR FUNDED. FOR TRANSFER OF REFUGEES FROM PRESENT UNHEALTHY SHANTYTOWN LOCATION NEAR SLAUGHTERHOUSE TO A CAMP, SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS OUTSIDE DJIBOUTI TERRITORY, AND RESETTLEMENT GRANTS FOR NON-STUDENTS.

3. THE ABOVE PROGRAM WILL BE ONE OF 20 TO 25 PROJECTS IN AFRICA WHICH UN SECRETARY GENERAL WALDHEIM WILL PRESENT TOWARD THE END OF APRIL OR EARLY MAY IN RESPONSE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 32/93 OF THE 32ND SESSION, ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1977. THIS IN TURN IS TO BE THE SUBJECT OF RESPONSES BY DONOR NATIONS AT A U.N. MEETING TOWARD THE END OF MAY.  
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